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**CAMP FIRE USA CONFERS HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT TO YOUTH LEADERS**

Seattle, Wash – Leadership, teaching, service and advocacy. That’s how thousands of teens across the country spend hours and hours each week as they work toward the Wohelo Award, the highest achievement in Camp Fire USA, one of the nation’s leading youth development organizations.



Elisabeth Marie Scott of the Central Puget Sound Council has successfully completed the requirements for Camp Fire USA’s highest honor. Whether increasing youth leadership in the older youth council known as Horizon Cabinet, serving as a Day Camp counselor and Program Coordinator at Royal Arch Day Camp, or educating fellow students at Kentwood High School about world hunger, Elisabeth pursued her goals energetically. For one of her Advocacies, Elisabeth organized a 30-Hour Famine with her high school Key Club to call attention to hunger in Africa and parts of India. She led the group in famine games that related to countries most affected by food shortages. College is in Elisabeth’s future next year as she attends Western Washington.

Camp Fire USA has made a great impact on Elisabeth’s life. “Camp Fire has made my life more complete. In being in this program I have opened myself up to so many opportunities and challenges that I thought I would never do in my lifetime.” states Scott.

The Wohelo Award provides an intensive, individualized experience requiring recipients to plan, lead, teach, take action, and advocate for three service causes, utilize adult experts, and evaluate their projects at the conclusion. This award helps foster key developmental assets in youth, such as service to others, constructive use of time, planning, decision-making, and self-esteem. The word Wohelo comes from the first two letters of the words work, health and love. In 1910, Wohelo was coined as the organization’s watchword. Each year, approximately 200 youth nationally receive this prestigious award. The Wohelo Award allows Camp Fire USA to serve its mission of building caring, confident youth and future leaders.

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Camp Fire USA provides all-inclusive, co-educational youth development nationwide. Founded in 1910, with national headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri, Camp Fire USA’s mission is to build caring, confident youth and future leaders. By design, Camp Fire USA’s programs include family and small group experiences, after school programs, camping and environmental education, child care and service learning. The Camp Fire USA experience builds confidence in younger children and provides hands-on, youth-driven leadership experiences for older youth. The Central Puget Sound Council serves King, Kitsap and North Mason counties. For more information, visit [www.campfire-usa.org](http://www.campfire-usa.org).

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